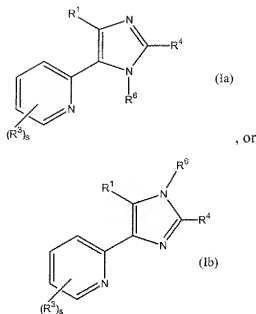


This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (currently amended) A compound of the formula (Ia) or (Ib):



or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or tautomer thereof, wherein:

R^1 is an optionally substituted saturated, unsaturated, or aromatic C_3 - C_{20} mono-, bi- or polycyclic ring optionally containing at least one heteroatom selected from the group consisting of N, O and S;

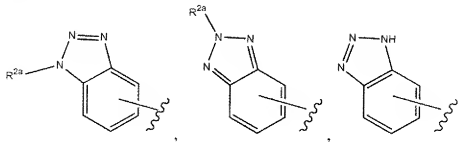
each R^3 is independently selected from the group consisting of: hydrogen, halo, halo(C_1 - C_6)alkyl, (C_1 - C_6)alkyl, (C_2 - C_6)alkenyl, (C_2 - C_6)alkynyl, perhalo(C_1 - C_6)alkyl, (C_5 - C_{10})heteroaryl, (C_5 - C_{10})heterocycle, (C_5 - C_{10})heteroether, (C_3 - C_{10})cycloalkyl, hydroxy, (C_1 - C_6)alkoxy, perhalo(C_1 - C_6)alkoxy, phenoxy, (C_5 - C_{10})heteroaryl-O-, (C_5 - C_{10})heterocycle-O-, (C_5 - C_{10})heteroether-O-, (C_3 - C_{10})cycloalkyl-O-, (C_1 - C_6)alkyl-S-, (C_1 - C_6)alkyl-SO₂-, (C_1 - C_6)alkyl-NH-SO₂-, nitro, cyano, amino, Ph(CH₂)₁₋₆NH-, (C_1 - C_6)alkylamino, [(C_1 - C_6)alkyl]₂-amino, (C_1 - C_6)alkyl-SO₂-NH-, amino(C=O)-, aminoSO₂-, (C_1 - C_6)alkyl-(C=O)-NH-, (C_1 -

(C_6) alkyl-(C=O)-[$((C_1-C_6)$ alkyl)-N]-, phenyl-(C=O)-NH-, phenyl-(C=O)-[$((C_1-C_6)$ alkyl)-N]-, (C_1-C_6) alkyl-(C=O)-, phenyl-(C=O)-, (C_5-C_{10}) heteroaryl-(C=O)-, (C_5-C_{10}) heterocycle-(C=O)-, (C_8-C_{10}) heterocycle-(C=O)-, (C_3-C_{10}) cycloalkyl-(C=O)-, HO-(C=O)-, (C_1-C_6) alkyl-O-(C=O)-, $H_2N(C=O)-(C_1-C_6)alkyl-NH-(C=O)-$, $[(C_1-C_6)alkyl]_2-N-(C=O)-$, phenyl-NH-(C=O)-, phenyl-[$((C_1-C_6)$ alkyl)-N]-(C=O)-, (C_5-C_{10}) heteroaryl-NH-(C=O)-, (C_5-C_{10}) heterocycle-NH-(C=O)-, (C_8-C_{10}) heterocycle-NH-(C=O)-, (C_3-C_{10}) cycloalkyl-NH-(C=O)- and $(C_1-C_6)alkyl-(C=O)-O-$, where R^3 is optionally substituted by at least one substituent independently selected from (C_1-C_6) alkyl, (C_1-C_6) alkoxy, halo (C_1-C_6) alkyl, halo, H_2N- , $Ph(CH_2)_{1-6}NH-$, and $(C_1-C_6)alkylNH-$;

s is an integer from one to four five; and

R^4 and R^6 taken together with the atoms to which they are attached form a core fused heteroaromatic.

2. (original) A compound of claim 1, wherein R^3 is a (C_1-C_6) alkyl or a (C_3-C_{10}) cycloalkyl group.
3. (original) A compound of claim 2, wherein R^3 is a methyl or a cyclopropyl group;
4. (currently amended) A compound of claim 1, wherein R^1 is



of hydrogen, halo, (C₁-C₆)alkyl, (C₂-C₆)alkenyl, (C₂-C₆)alkynyl, perhalo(C₁-C₆)alkyl, phenyl, (C₃-C₁₀)cycloalkyl, (C₅-C₁₀)heteroaryl, ~~(C₅-C₁₀)heterocycle~~, ~~(C₅-C₁₀)heterocyclic~~, formyl, -CN, (C₁-C₆)alkyl-(C=O)-, phenyl-(C=O)-, HO-(C=O)-, (C₁-C₆)alkyl-O-(C=O)-, (C₁-C₆)alkyl-NH-(C=O)-, ((C₁-C₆)alkyl)₂-N-(C=O)-, phenyl-NH-(C=O)-, phenyl-(((C₁-C₆)alkyl)-N)-(C=O)-, nitro, amino, (C₁-C₆)alkylamino, ((C₁-C₆)alkyl)₂-amino, (C₁-C₆)alkyl-(C=O)-NH-, (C₁-C₆)alkyl-(C=O)-[[(C₁-C₆)alkyl]-N]-, phenyl-(C=O)-NH-, phenyl-(C=O)-[[(C₁-C₆)alkyl]-N]-, H₂N-(C=O)-NH-, (C₁-C₆)alkyl-HN-(C=O)-NH-, ((C₁-C₆)alkyl)₂N-(C=O)-NH-, (C₁-C₆)alkyl-HN-(C=O)-[[(C₁-C₆)alkyl]-N]-, ((C₁-C₆)alkyl)₂N-(C=O)-[[(C₁-C₆)alkyl]-N]-, phenyl-HN-(C=O)-NH-, (phenyl)₂N-(C=O)-NH-, phenyl-HN-(C=O)-[[(C₁-C₆)alkyl]-N]-, (phenyl)₂N-(C=O)-[[(C₁-C₆)alkyl]-N]-, (C₁-C₆)alkyl-O-(C=O)-NH-, (C₁-C₆)alkyl-O-(C=O)-[[(C₁-C₆)alkyl]-N]-, phenyl-O-(C=O)-NH-, phenyl-O-(C=O)-[[(C₁-C₆)alkyl]-N]-, (C₁-C₆)alkyl-SO₂NH-, phenyl-SO₂NH-, (C₁-C₆)alkyl-SO₂-, phenyl-SO₂-, hydroxy, (C₁-C₆)alkoxy, perhalo(C₁-C₆)alkoxy, phenoxy, (C₁-C₆)alkyl-(C=O)-O-, ~~(C₁-C₆)ester~~, ~~(C₁-C₆)alkyl-O-~~, phenyl-(C=O)-O-, H₂N-(C=O)-O-, (C₁-C₆)alkyl-HN-(C=O)-O-, ((C₁-C₆)alkyl)₂N-(C=O)-O-, phenyl-HN-(C=O)-O-, and (phenyl)₂N-(C=O)-O-; and

R^{2b} and R^{2c} taken together with the atoms to which they are attached form an optionally substituted mono-, bi- or polycyclic, saturated, unsaturated, or aromatic ring system optionally containing at least one heteroatom selected from the group consisting of N, O and S.

5.-12. (cancelled)

13. (previously presented) A compound selected from the group consisting of:

- 6-[2-(6-Methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-imidazo[1,2-a]pyrimidin-3-yl]-quinoline;
- 2-Benzo[1,3]dioxol-5-yl-3-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-imidazo[1,2-a]pyrimidine;
- 6-[3-(6-Methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-imidazo[1,2-a]pyrimidin-2-yl]-quinoline;
- 1-Methyl-6-[3-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-imidazo[1,2-a]pyrimidin-2-yl]-1H-benzotriazole;
- 6-[7-Methyl-2-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-imidazo[1,2-a]pyrimidin-3-yl]-quinoline;
- 2-(6-Methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-3-quinolin-6-yl-imidazo[1,2-a]pyrimidin-7-ylamine;
- 1-Methyl-6-[2-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-imidazo[1,2-a]pyrimidin-3-yl]-1H-benzotriazole;
- 2-Methyl-5-[2-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-imidazo[1,2-a]pyrimidin-3-yl]-2H-benzotriazole;

3-(2-Methyl-2H-benzotriazol-5-yl)-2-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-imidazo[1,2-a]pyrimidin-7-ylamine;

2-(6-Methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-3-quinolin-6-yl-imidazo[1,2-a]pyrimidin-7-ol;

Dimethyl-[2-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-3-quinolin-6-yl-imidazo[1,2-a]pyrimidin-7-yl]-amine;

2-(6-Methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-3-pyridin-4-yl-imidazo[1,2-a]pyrimidine;

2-(6-Methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-3-pyridin-4-yl-imidazo[1,2-a]pyrimidin-7-ylamine; and

3-Benzothiazol-6-yl-2-(6-methyl-pyridin-2-yl)-imidazo[1,2-a]pyrimidin-7-ylamine.

14. (original) A pharmaceutical composition comprising a compound of claim 1 and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

15. (cancelled)

16. (cancelled)